

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Page 1, after the title, insert --FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Page 1, after line 7, insert BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, line 10, The object is achieved according to the present invention, which relates to an electronic releasing device for pyrotechnic igniters having a primary and a secondary charge. The primary charge is ignited by means of a circuit that comprises electronic components and whose essential electronic components are accommodated as an integrated components as an integrated circuit in an IC housing, with the housing being disposed on a printed circuit board. The terminals of the IC housing are provided as connecting points for test instruments for checking the serviceability of the integrated circuit and the igniter function and also serve for connection to external electronic devices for programming the releasing device, with the aid of the characterizing features of the first claim. Advantageous embodiments of the invention are claimed in the subclaims.

Page 5, line 1, In the figures: BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 5, line 10, insert DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Page 8, before claim 1, insert It is claimed: